

# Work Experience Verification for Independent Practice

**Practitioner:** In order for a practitioner to qualify as a private independent addiction counselor, the practitioner must hold an active Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC) credential with the BAPP and have completed a minimum of two years of qualifying supervised work experience in the field of addiction counseling.

All experience must be verified. Make a copy of this form for each agency where you completed qualifying supervised work experience. Complete the top section and submit the form to each agency that is verifying your supervised work experience. The work experience must be accrued after initial certification or licensure.

Practitioner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Hone Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Initial Certification or Licensure Date: \_\_\_\_\_

PRACTITIONER STOP HERE

## THE FOLLOWING MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE AGENCY

The practitioner listed above is applying to qualify as a private independent addiction counselor. Please verify the qualifying supervised work experience for this person and return this form directly to the Board of Addiction and Prevention Professionals (BAPP), 3101 West 41<sup>st</sup> Street, Suite 205, Sioux Falls, SD 57105.

- ☐ I verify that the practitioner was involved in direct service with clients who have a diagnosis of alcohol or other drug abuse or dependence. This experience included both direct and indirect activities related specific to the alcohol and drug counselor domains to include the Twelve Core Functions.
- ☐ I verify that the practitioner was supervised by a qualified Certified Addiction Counselor (CAC) or Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC). Supervision must include a minimum of eight contact hours each month, with a minimum of one hour of supervision for every ten hours of client contact. **The work experience must be accrued after initial certification or licensure. Work experience under trainee recognition status does not qualify.**

Practitioner's total years of qualifying supervised work experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Practitioner's Dates of Employment – From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

Was the experience Full Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Part Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

Practitioner's Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of person completing this form: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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